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## ANOTHER BORDER "FLAP"

Nanking, Dec. 7. Persistent rumours that British troops had again broken into Shum-chun across the Kowloon border and had shot more villagers were denied this afternoon in responsible quarters.

A report from Hongkong indicated that the Chinese Special Commission of Foreign Affairs Mr. T. Kwoi, was expected today to send an official communication to the Hongkong Government demanding an official apology from the British authorities, an indemnity payment to the family of the Chinese victim in the shooting and a guarantee that similar incidents will not happen again. A Hongkong report also stated that Mr. Kwoi had previously submitted a full report on the incident to the Nanking Ministry of Foreign Affairs.—Central News.

## Chinese In Canada

Ottawa, Dec. 6. A delegation representing the Committee for the Repeal of the Chinese Immigration Act yesterday termed the act "archaic" and demanded its "repeal" during the next session of the Canadian Parliament.

The Resources Minister, Mr. J. A. Glen, promised "immediate consideration" of the matter.

The legislation, which was passed in 1923, limits the number of Chinese allowed entry into Canada and forbids the immigration of women.

Therefore most of the married male Chinese in Canada have families in China, the delegation statement said.

The delegation described the act as "the greatest single disturbing influence in the good neighbour relations between Canada and China."—Reuter.

## Soviet Advice To Be Ignored

Lake Success, Dec. 6. Iran today informed the United Nations that she would send troops into troubled Azerbaijan tomorrow and be ready to act against any "hostile demonstration" that may be touched off by their presence in that northern Iranian province.

## SHOT WIFE AND STEPSON, THEN HIMSELF

San Francisco, Dec. 7.

Augusto Prospero, 40, a former geodetic survey engineer in the Philippines, shot his wife to death, critically wounded his stepson and then killed himself with a pistol bullet, police reported today.

Friends said the whole family had been guerrilla fighters and held out on Panay Island against the Japanese until they were evacuated to Australia by submarine.

According to police, Mrs. Prospero had told her husband that he had threatened to kill the entire family if she fled with him.

The police said Prospero shot the stepson, Arthur Sexton, 26, twice through the chest and once in the arm, ran into his wife's room, shot her through the head, then put a bullet through his own head.

Two stepdaughters, Pearl, 24, and Ethel, 22, jumped through windows and escaped.

Mrs. Prospero and children were United States citizens but Prospero was not.

The daughters said their mother objected to returning to the islands in an argument with Prospero.—Associated Press.

## INDIA TALKS FAIL Attlee Issues A Communique NEHRU LEAVES FOR DELHI

London, Dec. 7. Prime Minister Attlee failed today in a last minute effort to bring the Hindus and Moslems together for the opening on Monday of a Constituent Assembly to draft India's constitution of independence.

Following the termination of the inconclusive conferences here, the British Government flatly told the bickering Indian leaders that Britain would not submit an Indian charter to Parliament unless all factions joined in writing it.

There was no disputing that a delay in drafting the constitution would prolong Britain's stay in India.

The Moslem League has refused to attend the Constituent Assembly because of the differences of opinion with the All-India Congress Party over the voting procedure.

The London conferences—called by Mr. Attlee in an attempt to resolve the crisis which has been described as tantamount to civil war—ended on Friday night when the Prime Minister presided over the first roundtable talks of the rival Indian leaders who flew to London four days ago for extensive and crucial discussions.

Afterwards Mr. Attlee's office said in a 600-word communiqué reviewing the talks that Britain would not force a constitution written by an Assembly in which a large section of the population was not represented upon any upwing sections of the vast country.

This requirement means the Moslem League must join the Assembly—not necessarily for next week's formal opening but by the time it gets down to business early next year—if the body is to do any effective work.

It was accompanied by a demand for Congress to accept the British and Moslem League's interpretation of the Cabinet mission's proposal for the "grouping" of provinces within the Assembly—a key difference between the two factions—and the "hope" that the Moslems will agree with Congress and Britain to refer future differences to India's three-man Federal Court.

### SUB. MISSING

Paris, Dec. 6. Military and naval aircraft working in radio co-operation with destroyers, sloops, corvettes, and torpedo boats are today sweeping the Mediterranean off Toulon searching for a small former German submarine which had failed to return to port after going out to sea.

The submarine is a 250-ton vessel with 21 people aboard.

Her all-French crew consists of three officers and 18 non-commissioned officers and ratings. Also aboard are two senior officers from the technical service of the French Naval Ministry.—Reuter.

today in a specially chartered E.O.A.C. aircraft for India, hopeful that the "difficulties will be overcome."

More than 100 policemen were drafted to prevent a recurrence of the mob demonstration which occurred when the four Indian leaders and the Vicerey arrived last Tuesday but this morning only a small gathering of Indians were present at the airport.

Nehru was seen off by the Under-Secretary of State for India, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Minister without Portfolio A.V. Alexander and the Indian High Commissioner, Sir Samuel Bunganandan.

"Glad I Came"

The Congress Party leader did not make any public statement other than to say good-bye and "I am glad I came to London."

Prior to his departure for the airport from the Dorchester Hotel this morning Nehru told United Press that "things are prepared to take this risk."

Iran announced previously that she would send forces into the province but thus far had held troops short of the border.

Ala, Iranian Ambassador to Washington, in a letter to the United Nations Security Council, said his country must ignore the Soviet advice to keep troops out of Azerbaijan. He said Iran was prepared to "take the action necessary to maintain law and order." He added, "The Soviet Ambassador to Teheran had been given a 'friendly' admonition."

The dispatch of troops to Azerbaijan would result in disturbances both within the province and along the Iranian-Soviet borders. He said Iran was prepared to take this risk.

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Ala did not present a formal complaint to the Security Council but asked it to retain its jurisdiction over Iranian complaints concerning alleged interferences with its sovereignty.—Associated Press.

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## Stalin Heart Attack

Washington, Dec. 6. Authoritative sources here tonight disclosed that Generalissimo Stalin had been resting in the Crimean health resort of Sochi for the past six weeks.

They declined to comment on recent reports that he had suffered a setback in health.

Drew Pearson, the columnist, said today: "Stalin suffered a heart attack (his second) some time in November and is now resting in the Crimea. This fact has been made the subject of an official report to the State Department."

An official of the Russian Division of the State Department declined tonight either to confirm or deny that such a report had been received.

One responsible diplomatic informant said the reports should be taken with reserve and judged alongside the fact that Stalin was getting older and might naturally want to spend winters in the warmer climate of the south.

Generalissimo Stalin is 68 but has been described as "prematurely old."—Reuter.

### "TRUANT" ADRIFT

Plymouth, Dec. 7. H.M. submarine "Truant" 1,090 tons, one of the most famous British submarines which parlayed Axis shipping during the war, is adrift in the English Channel off Plymouth, the Admiralty confirmed today. It was abandoned by tug because of bad weather. There is no one aboard.

Naval vessels are searching for the submarine, which is a danger to navigation but high seas are running. "Truant," which sank the German cruiser "Karlsruhe" in Oslo Fjord in 1940, had been sold to a British iron and steel corporation.—Reuter.

## Chinese Padre Missing

Chicago Dec. 7. Police are searching today for the Rev. James Wong-sum, 50-year-old Chinese clergyman of Bryn Athyn, Pennsylvania.

The search was requested by the Bryn Athyn police who said Wong was missing and that his life had been threatened.

The request did not elaborate on the threat.

Bryn Athyn police reported Wong was en route home from the Orient and had twice telegraphically requested money to be sent him at San Francisco and Chicago.

The money was collected at Chicago on Nov. 22 but Wong has not returned and has not been heard from since.—Associated Press.

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## Shanghai Munitions Dump Explodes

Shanghai, Dec. 7. Heavy explosions rocked the entire city of Shanghai as a fire of undetermined origin touched off a large Chinese ammunition dump piled up in the 100,000-seat Athletic Stadium less than a mile from the United States ATC airport at Kiangwan this afternoon.

Large-calibre bombs among the supplies taken over from the Japanese as well as newly acquired United States Lend-Lease shells including 165 mm's have been going off in terrific explosions since 4 p.m. and are still continuing at close intervals, re-enacting the Shanghai Battle of 1937 and the heavy American bombing of the city in the last months of the war.

It is believed the blasts will continue most of the night in view of the size of the dump.

The fire started at 1:15 p.m., apparently in the barracks inside the Stadium where Chinese soldiers are on guard day and night and where they are believed to have piled up hay in the absence of mattresses. The flames soon touched off small arms, munitions, sending bullets flying in all directions which prevented fire fighting.

By 3:30 p.m. the flames reached the piles of heavy calibre shells and bombs. An American M.P. station at the gate of Kiangwan airfield said: "It is worse than a barrage."

It is unconfirmedly reported there were heavy Chinese casualties but the exact extent of the damage cannot be ascertained due to the continuous explosions.

An apartment house is known to have been blasted into debris while residents in that thinly populated area are being evacuated. Chinese troops have roped off the entire area.

The explosions at first caused near-panic in numerous downtown districts where numerous shops boarded up their fronts as wild rumours of a Communist attack gained circulation. When the story later became known, many lined the streets and climbed the roof-tops to view the "firework-like" explosions.—United Press.

The source estimated that if arms shipments continue for six months the Viet Nam forces will be better armed than the 80,000 French troops stationed in Indo-China.—United Press.

## FIGHT TO FINISH IN COAL DISPUTE

Washington, Dec. 6. The American coal strike was given priority on the agenda of today's weekly meeting of the United States Cabinet, when the draft of President Truman's Sunday broadcast to the nation was submitted to the Ministers for comment.

One grim-faced Cabinet member, emerging from the Presidential conference, said privately: "There will be no turning back in this fight."

Mr. Philip Murray, President of the Congress of Industrial and Railway Unions to join the CIO in "unified action against the Government's deliberate and monstrous movement to cripple labour."

Both the A.F.L. President, Mr. William Green, and the Association of Railway Unions have advocated a resumption of negotiations, but Mr. Murray appealed to the whole of the

American Federation of Labour and Railway Unions to join the CIO in "unified action against the Government's deliberate and monstrous movement to cripple labour."

Two hours after the fire started the police estimated at least 50 dead; as bodies have already been recovered with others known to lie in the alleys and the match awning covering the Peace-tree Street terrace restaurant where guests leaped to escape the flames.

Guests fashioned an escape rope from sheets and towels knotted together and dangled from a 18th floor window.

Several escaped over the latter but so many tried to climb down that the thin strand gave way dropping them to the street 13 floors below. The hotel, supposedly fireproof, had no outside fire escapes.

A high proportion of the casualties were children attending a convention. Some of them performed acts of extreme bravery. Several girls carefully donned their coats and walked to safety along a narrow 15-inch protruding ledge more than 10 stories above the street.

Some jumped from the 16th floor and died but reports from the hospital said many of the wounded are seriously burned or suffered multiple fractures which threaten to lengthen the death roll.—United Press.

The police made available the woman's confession in which she admitted having killed her baby by boiling, after which she hacked off the child's legs, arms and devoured the remainder of the mutilated body.

Following the "feast," she scattered the bones around the entrance of her home—a cave in an abandoned mine on the outskirts of the city.

"International repercussions of the walkout," he said, "are getting more serious every day and every hour."

Reuter learns that Chief Justice Lawrence Groner, of the United States Appeals Court, has granted the Department of Justice's motion to transfer Mr. Lewis's contempt of court case directly to the Supreme Court.

New Strike?

A despatch from New York tonight says that a new strike crippling trans-Atlantic cable communications is likely to start any time. The trade union announced that cable operators employed by the Western Union have voted overwhelmingly in favour of a strike on an "undesignated date" in a union referendum.

The long dispute over wage rates is the cause of the decision.—Reuter.

Large Success, Dec. 6. Proceeding on the United States resolution on Spain as the basis of discussion, as decided yesterday, the 18-member Political Sub-Committee agreed on the preamble of the compromise resolution which it hopes to complete for presentation to the full committee on Saturday.

The preamble as it now stands incorporates both the United States and Polish resolutions. It does not go into the substance which will be discussed tomorrow afternoon whether or not to break relations.—United Press.

SS officers took the selection parades—the biggest was attended by 20,000 women—and picked those for the gas chamber who were considered too old or not fit enough for heavy manual labour; she said.

Mrs. Salvesen, the witness, a friend of the Norwegian Royal Family, said she had worked in Ravensbruck hospital where the bodies lay for days in corridors awaiting burial. Of the hospital matron she said, "We had in our minds a picture of Florence Nightingale, thinking nurses were sworn to help the people of all nations. But the matron never lifted a finger to help us."

Mrs. Salvesen disclosed that she was an underground member of the Norwegian secret organisation known as "King's Messengers" engaged in smuggling and aiding resistance groups and Allied nationalities.

"We cannot say how much political violence injuries the authorities, but there is no doubt that it constitutes a growing danger to Palestine Jewry and ourselves, both internally and externally," she concluded.—Reuter.

THE WEATHER

An anticyclone covers China and Southern Japan. A depression over the Kuriles is moving slowly Eastwards. A trough runs from this across the Bonin to the Gulf of Tongking. Pressure has fallen over the equatorial regions.

Forecast:—Moderate easterly winds; weather cloudy and warmer.

Yesterday's weather:—

Max.:—71.8 deg. Fahr.

Min.:—64.1 deg. Fahr.

Max. Rel. Humidity:—94 per cent.

Sunshine:—10 hours.

Rainfall:—Nil.

Mr. Leslie Arthur Calcraft, of Butterfield & Swire, residing at No. 11, Tregunter Mansions, May Road, and Mrs. Winifred Louise Byford-Jones, nee Dawson, of No. 20, Peak Road, were married by Mr. J. M. Hall at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday in the presence of Messrs. T. Add

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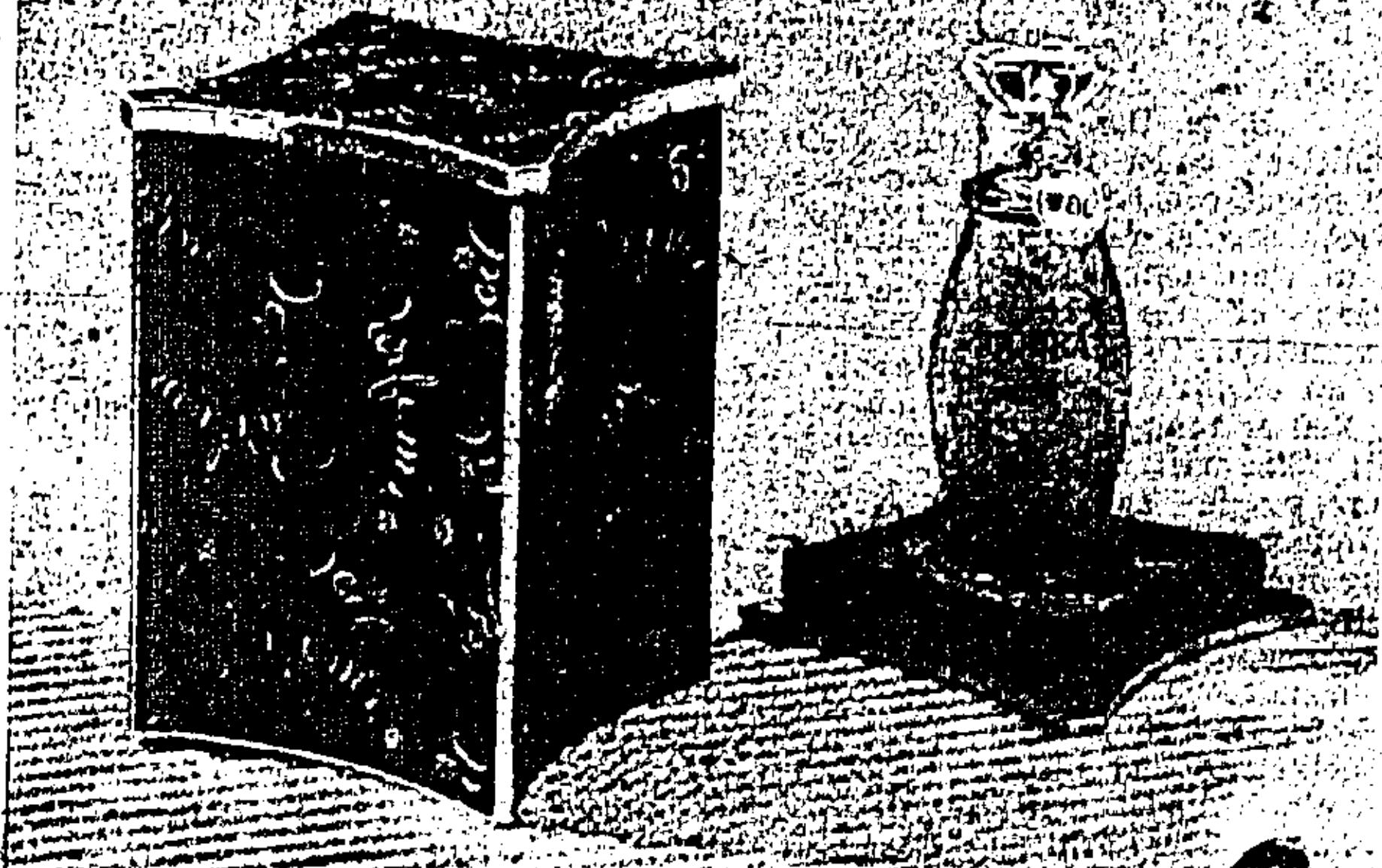
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**A "NEW PACIFIC" IS  
 TAKING SHAPE**

The emergence of a new Pacific is taking definite shape, Ambassador Wellington Koo emphasized today in a speech before the biennial convention of the Federal Council of Churches in Seattle.

Dr. Koo predicted that the Far East, with its tremendous man-power reserve, rich natural resources and long cultural heritage, would become one day the centre of gravity of international relations.

"To gauge the importance of the Pacific area," said Dr. Koo, "it is only necessary to recall that during the past 100 years, at least five major wars were fought in this region; that the invasion of Manchuria by Japan in 1931 was the real beginning of World War II and that the infamous attack on Pearl Harbour was the spark which ignited the general world conflagration".

Discussing the prospect of establishing permanent peace in the Pacific area, Dr. Koo said that to achieve this peace, three basic conditions must be fulfilled: firstly, a strong unified China; secondly, the establishment of a genuine world security system; thirdly, economic recovery and development of both war-torn areas and countries less affected by hostilities in the Far East.

 China's Task  
 Regarding the task confronting China, Dr. Koo said: "With great patience and in a relentless spirit, the Chinese people are endeavouring to set their house in order to re-establish governmental authority throughout the land and achieve national unity and constitutional democracy. This task must be made a real success if the Far East is going to be assured of tranquillity and play its part in the maintenance of world security and peace".

Surveying the outlook for Asia as a whole, Dr. Koo said: "The Chinese people after a protracted period of suffering and destruction is determined to bring to final completion the important task of national unification which I dare say, will be accomplished in a much shorter time than the world's is led to believe. The recent inauguration of the Philippine Republic symbolizes not only the rise of a new force in the community of nations but is also a happy consummation of the processes of adjustment and cooperation between the eastern and western peoples".

 Statement On  
 R.N. Dockyard  
 Rehabilitation  
 Allowance  
 The following statement has been issued by the Captain Superintendent of the Naval Dockyard:

"As it appears that a decision reached by me has erroneously been attributed to the Labour Advisory Board, the following statement is published to make the situation clear. Early in November, after all due regard to possible effects had been considered, I decided that the time had come to fall into line with the commercial dockyards with regard to the payment of rehabilitation allowance. I therefore issued notices which were posted up, stating that as from Dec. 1, rehabilitation allowance would only be paid for days on which work was actually performed instead of for seven days a week as hitherto.

"On Thursday, Nov. 28, a meeting of the Labour Advisory Board took place at which I made this decision known and although the representatives of the Chinese employees raised several points for me to consider and Mr. Hon Man-wai in particular offered an alternative for my consideration my decision remained unaltered. I particularly wish to stress that the decision was not and could not be taken by the Board. It was taken by me.

"At a meeting between myself and the representatives of the Dockyard Workmen's Association the following day I listened to arguments put forward but was unable to reverse my decision. I told the men that I had informed the Labour Advisory Board about my intention and unfortunately, apparently, gave them to understand that I had referred the matter to the Board for decision. As I have stated above that was not so. My statement was for information only.

"I have since seen the representatives of the Dockyard Workmen's Association again and made the situation clear and I hope this statement will be likewise for the public.

**BORDER INCIDENT**

An official spokesman from Army Headquarters announced yesterday that investigations in the matter of the border incident were nearly completed and a full statement would be issued on Monday afternoon.

**ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES**

Latest arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel:— Mrs. D. Ackroyd, G. M. Hall, Mr. A. Bourla, W. B. Lloyd, E. W. Pudney, C. A. Yule, P. A. G. Phillips, W. J. Woord and Col. R. H. Dennis.

Departures from the Peninsula:— Dr. and Mrs. P. F. S. Court, F. Hallay and Mrs. W. E. Hallay.

Sir James C. O'Brien, Controller of the Empire Division and Middle East Department of the British Council arrived in Hong Kong yesterday to carry out consultations and make an exploratory survey. Sir Angus arrived by air from Bangkok.

During his stay Sir Angus will visit Hong Kong's educational institutions, schools, R.A.W. stations, industrial firms and the New Territories. He will also meet representatives of various social and cultural organizations and will discuss possible plans for developing British Council activities in this part of the Far East.

The following passengers arrived on Friday from the United Kingdom by the R.O.A.C. Flying-boat: Huntingdon: Messrs. Max. Teng, Loo, Sioh, Liddle and Melior. Transit for Kun was Mr. Osborne.

Miss H. M. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. A. Walker, Capt. G. Morant, Professor Lo Chung-shu, Major R. D. Crombie and Messrs. D. Webb, W. L. Lloyd and E. W. Pudney left for the United Kingdom by R.O.A.C. yesterday. On the same aircraft were Messrs. P. H. G. Phillips and W. E. French for Calcutta and Misses C. M. Williams, Mrs. Chao Tsu-lin and Teng Weihua for Bangkok.

The R.O.A.C. Flying-boat Irving for Singapore today will carry Messrs. J. H. L. Monk, J. J. Cooperthwaite, H. J. A. Tunn, L. C. Sirsford, Peck Pia-jin, Hu Shin-wing, Tai Wing-kwong, Koh Han-khoon and P/Lt. C. Williams, and also aboard will be K. C. Li, Miss Chow Fung-may, Yip Tack-lee, Young Son-kei, J. M. Culhane and Madame Jernak Budhak for Bangkok.

Tuesday's meeting of the Rotary Club will be held as usual in Gloucester Building at 12.30 p.m. and Mr. H. G. W. Woodhead, C.B.E., will talk on "Basic English."

**More Price Controls**

More controlled prices for motor-cars and trucks, as well as chocolates and cigarettes, have been added to the Price Control schedule.

Yesterday's additions are as follows:

**CIGARETTES**

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 Abdulla, No. 14, \$4.10. Barneys  
 \$2.30. Federal \$2.40. Old Castle  
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(New and second-hand; \* denotes including duty)

Motor Cars: Chrysler Windsor Sedan \$12,500\*. Chrysler New Yorker Sedan \$14,500\*. Daimler 2 1/2 litre saloon \$22,330\*. De Soto Diplomat Sedan \$10,750\*. De Soto Custom Sedan \$12,000\*. Humber 14 H.P. \$14,700; Jaguar, \$8,720\*.

The following amendments have been made:

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# Japs. "Taught Him Something About International Law"

Lieut. T. B. Pearce, R.A., of Messrs. John D. Hutchison & Co., Ltd., testified at yesterday's War Crimes Trial of Colonel Tokunaga Iiso and four other POW Camp officers that when Lieut. Field protested against POWs being used on war work, as it was against International Law, he was told that he would be taught something about International Law and then given a severe beating up which resulted in his head being split open.

Lieut. Pearce said that he was interned at North Point Camp from the end of December 1941 till the third week in January 1942, when he was transferred to Shamshuipo Camp. On April 18, 1942, he was sent to the Argyle Street Camp, where he remained till Sept. 1942. He was then retransferred to Shamshuipo Camp and was at this place up till the Japanese surrender in Aug. 1945.

Witness identified all accused and said that Tokunaga was the Commandant of all POW Camps in Hong Kong, whilst Saito was the Medical Officer in charge of POW Camps.

When witness returned to Shamshuipo Camp he found the men in poor condition and they were like walking skeletons. This was due to the extremely poor diet supplied by the Japanese and the stopping of parcels from outside.

The diet consisted of rice and vegetables and what fish and meat ration had been issued previously was cut out entirely. This poor diet left the men in a generally weak condition and resulted in various forms of malnutritional diseases, pellagra eyes, pellagra chest, pellagra stomach, aching feet and also beri beri.

The first working parties were sent out in Sept. 1942 to Kai Tak Airfield. Witness was one of the Officers sent out with the working parties. The work at Kai Tak consisted of clearing large areas of land, general excavation, digging, picking and levelling of the ground as well as the carrying of heavy granite stones. To enable POWs to carry the stones, ropes and poles were supplied. Some of the ground which POWs had to dig consisted of loose earth and other portions were of hard concrete. They were also engaged in the clearing of a hill. Picks and shovels were supplied for ground levelling purposes.

The majority of the men on working parties were not in a fit condition to carry out the work and this was borne out by the fact that the number of men reporting sick increased daily. In spite of this, the Japanese increased the requirements of personnel for working parties from 200 to approximately 400. Representations were made to the Japanese pointing out that it was almost impossible to produce enough fit men for the working parties, but the Japanese Camp Administration insisted that the number they specified must be supplied.

## Man Collapsed

Witness saw unfit men on working parties. After disembarkation from the ferry, the men had to walk about three quarters of a mile to the site where work was being carried on. On one occasion, witness saw a man collapse after walking for about a minute. The man had to be carried to the site on a stretcher.

Men employed on working parties got up at 4:30 a.m. and did not return till 8 p.m. after which they had to draw their food and have a wash, if possible. They did not get to bed until about 10 o'clock.

The food issued to men on working parties was completely inadequate.

As the work carried on at Kai Tak Airfield was in connection with the enlarging of the airfield for Japanese planes, it came under the definition of war work. An official protest was sent in by Lieut. Field, R. A., regarding the nature of the work which POWs were called upon to do. The protest also pointed out that the work was against International Law and should not have been done by POWs. The result of the protest was that Lieut. Field was sent for by the Japanese a few days afterwards. He was interrogated by the Japanese and during the interrogation, a Japanese officer told Lieut. Field—that he would teach him something about International Law. Lieut. Field was then severely beaten up and his head was split open.

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put among members of the working party when they returned at night.

## Dysentery

In reply to the President, witness said that sick men on working parties were suffering from malnutritional diseases. Dysentery cases were sent along with working parties. At Kai Tak and Aberdeen, there was no difference in the amount of work allotted to fit and unfit POWs. Men who met with a serious accident or who became seriously ill while at work were sent back to Camp when transport arrived. The working parties were handed over to other Japanese personnel and the attitude of these supervisors showed that they were chiefly interested in getting the work done. Witness could recollect occasions on which POWs were beaten up by the sentries and sometimes by the supervisors. Witness saw Tokunaga twice at the Kai Tak working parties. He also recollects having seen Saito at Kai Tak, but not any of the other accused.

Hearing was then adjourned till 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Tam So, 31, married woman, who was sentenced to one day's imprisonment by the Supreme Court under the Defence Regulations, was fined \$25 by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at the Central Magistracy yesterday for disorderly conduct at the corner of Pedder Street and Queen's Road Central, on Friday evening.

For leaving the waters of the Colony at night without a permit, a steam launch coxswain and the master of a trading junk were each fined \$20 or seven days in default by Comdr. Ryder in the Marine Court yesterday. Both defendants pleaded ignorance of the regulations.

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## CRISIS

What lies in store for India in consequence of the failure of the Hindu and Moslem leaders to compose their differences, in spite of the intervention of the British Cabinet, cannot yet be predicted, though the perils latent in the situation are self-evident. In arranging the London conference, the British Government recognised the serious nature of the crisis that has arisen in India, and the manner in which the whole scheme of the Cabinet Mission has gone awry. The expectation that the formation of a joint Executive Council, with both Moslems and Hindus participating, would bring peace has been disappointed. Instead, the country has seen widespread massacre and a calamitous breakdown of administration. The prophets of woe have been all too clearly justified. In London, neither side budged from the position taken up prior to the Cabinet's invitation. Mr. Nehru insists that the Constituent Assembly must meet as arranged. Mr. Jinnah remains determined to boycott the Assembly, thus arresting the prospect of constitution-making altogether. The official communiqué makes it quite clear that this must be the position, as no constitution can be accepted which would thrust itself "upon an unwilling part of the country." Quite obviously, concession of the claim of any one community to rule absolutely would defeat the whole purpose of the transfer of power to Indian hands. It remains to be seen whether the visit has been entirely without value, but it is quite certain that it has done nothing immediately to reduce the dangers of serious intercommunal conflict. Ultimately, unless they are prepared to watch the situation get beyond all hope of control, India's political leaders must agree upon a modus vivendi. Unfortunately, the tendency to give ground too slowly and too late is the most typical condition of Indian politics, and there is grave reason to fear serious developments.

## VICTIMS OF EVENTS

It is disappointing that demobilisation cannot be carried out as quickly as had been hoped. The cause, as Mr. Attlee pointed out, lies largely outside the control of the Government. The need for larger armed forces than was once thought necessary is but one of the unfortunate results of the slow pace at which the world is moving towards peace-time stability. Nobody except those who believe that Britain can abandon her world responsibilities should be disposed to challenge in principle the consequences of fulfilling them. Care must, however, be taken that no injustice is done. Men who have served for long periods overseas, particularly in the Far East, have at times felt that they were being forgotten and their interests neglected. Others have felt that those reaching military age at home were getting better consideration, particularly in the reserved occupations. Discontent can only be removed by avoiding even the appearance of unfairness. Mr. Attlee's promise to look into the exemptions given to people in reserved occupations, and to do what was possible about Christmas leave, are steps in the right direction. He might also look into the conditions of service in the Far East, where discontent at the deferment of demobilisation has not sensibly diminished.

Under the heading "The Legend of Japan," the October issue of "The Dragon" (Journal of the Buffs) has published a particularly informative contribution by Captain T. B. Hutton.

Summing up the position in the countries of South East Asia a full year after the Japanese surrender, Captain Hutton reaches the conclusion that "It would seem as if dangerous toys had fallen into the hands of children while their parents were away."

He goes on to tell us something about the difficult tasks that have had to be performed in the area by the 2nd Bat-

talion of this famous Kent regiment and he goes on his experience to draw certain conclusions as to the effects of Japanese occupation.

Describing the differences between the Malayans and the Indonesians he says "The best indications of these differences may be found in the respective newspapers. The Press in Singapore is full of lengthy reports of war crimes trials and the continual complaints of the civilian against the evils of military requisitioning and military drivers; in Batavia it is atrocity stories and invective against the Indonesians that make the headlines and the recriminations of the Dutch against the British for giving them insufficient help a natural reaction to inevitable causes.

By SYDNEY REDWOOD

the surrender fighting still continues, and negotiations are little further advanced.

## Java Different

The effects of Japanese occupation in Java were rather different. Here the Japanese found a ready-made opposition to the Dutch, and reader ear for their propaganda. A number of pro-Japanese societies were founded, and selected Indonesians given military training. But once more the Japanese used his own work, and the armies he had trained turned on him at the moment of his surrender and seized power for themselves. The promise of a co-prosperity sphere had not been fulfilled, the Japanese were another conquering power, but they could be utilised until the time was ripe to throw them over. And so when the war ended the Dutch were faced by a fairly well trained army, against which they had no troops to fight.

The sudden surrender of the Japanese found the European powers unprepared. As far back as 1942, it is true, Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands realised that it would be impossible to return to the old system, and offered the Indies an equal partnership in the new Dutch Commonwealth. But by 1945 nothing had been done to implement this promise, and the Dutch Government were obviously not prepared to do it in a hurry. Plans were not ready and troops were not ready, and the unpleasant task of attempting to restore the status quo fell on Indian and British troops. A year after

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## Restrictions Resented

In Malaya too, it was realised that a greater degree of self-government must be given to the country, but the surrender found Britain with a new Government still feeling its way to power. A period of military administration was clearly necessary until the country settled down. But continued restrictions were resented, especially by the more active Chinese Communists, who had fought and retained their weapons, and had no wish to return to pre-war conditions when their party had been an illegal organisation. Political strikes took place, and the B.M.A. became a by-word for inefficiency and oppression, quite unjustly. Meanwhile the new constitution was hammered out. A Malayan Union was to be formed consisting of all Malaya, except Singapore, and giving equal citizenship rights to all native-born inhabitants, whether European, Malay, Chinese or Indian, and depriving the Sultans of most of their remaining political power. This was resented by the Malays, now fully politically conscious as a result of Japanese occupation, as it would place power in the hands of the more active and more prolific Chinese community. Large protest meetings were held and the first Malay political party under a former B.M.A. official Dato Onn, was formed. As a result the citizenship clause was temporarily abandoned.

This constitution, the result of political theory applied without due consideration of the factors involved, has begun a period, inevitable in the end but hitherto almost unknown, of ill-feeling between Chinese and Malays.

It has been said that Malaya is a second Palestine in the making, and this is not far from the truth. Discontent is aggravated by the natural causes of war, a further legacy of the Japanese. Malaya is facing starvation owing to the failure of a former enemy country to deliver rice and a general world shortage of food. It is much harder to be tolerant on an empty stomach.

Where is South East Asia heading? It is obvious that a much greater degree of independence is essential for those countries, but it is still more obvious that no development is possible until the more urgent economic problems are thrashed out. Java and Malaya are still dependent on Britain. Whatever the final outcome, it is essential both for peace and prosperity that British influence cannot be withdrawn from the area. And it is as friends, guides and equals, that the Buffs, in common with other troops, are out there, and not as an impersonal occupying force which they are generally thought to be.

The disclosure that Mr. Mc

Kell, Premier of New South Wales, had been recommended to His Majesty the King as the new Governor-General of the Commonwealth came as a shock to political circles and was featured by one columnist in the following biting remark: "Someone phoned yesterday to ask if it were true that George Mulley had been appointed Viceroy of India."

Mrs. Ethel Livesey is back in the news. According to documents filed in the Supreme Court she paid a Sydney solicitor A\$1907/- in legal costs between December 21 last year and March 20 of this year. The judge directed that the Taxing Master examine and tax the solicitor's costs.... A new railway costing nearly A\$1 million and a huge water scheme are two undertakings which will be associated with the setting up of the rocket range in South Australia. A new township with all facilities for a community of about 500 people will also be built.

The last American military forces will leave Sydney by ship and plane after the 30th... to make up for the loss on potatoes and other hard vegetables, which are unobtainable due to industrial trouble, many greengrocers are charging extra on tomatoes.... A man fell into a net containing eight sharks when he overbalanced from a fishing vessel but suffered no injuries.... An Australian record price of 99 1/4 lb. for one hale of extra super-fine combing merino fleece was returned at the Melbourne wool sales.

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## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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## LOSE AN EARLY TRICK

Suppose you are able to foretell the almost certain probability of your running all except two of the tricks remaining to be played, but no likely chance to develop one more. If you then deliberately give up one trick at the outset, or at least rather early, then provide yourself one of the essentials of a normal squeeze play. That essential is the ability to force an opponent to discard at a time when only one finishing trick is in prospect for him anyway. If he has to guard against too many alternatives, then he can't do it, but is squeezed. That play—giving up a trick in the early stages—is what the veteran card magician Sidney S. Lenz, named "the delayed squeeze."

S. K. 7  
H. A. Q.  
D. Q. 8 7 4 2  
C. A. Q. 5  
S. Q. J. 10 N. S. 8  
9 2 W. H. J. 9 3 2  
H. 10 8 4 S. D. J. 10 8 6  
D. None 5 3  
C. J. 10 3 2 C. 9 7.  
S. A. 8 4 3  
H. K. 7 5  
D. A. K.  
C. K. 8 6 4

Dealer: South. Both sides vulnerable.  
South: West. North: East.  
1. NT Pass. 3 D. Pass  
2. NT Pass. 5 NT. Pass  
3. 6 NT  
West opened the spade Q, and South did his real work before playing a card. Played top tricks were surely in sight. The 12th would come easily if any of these suits would divide favourably—spades, diamonds or clubs. But if they all broke badly, the only chance would be a squeeze. In

that event, South would want a spade top sitting over West's cards. So he took the first trick in his own hand, to leave the K in dummy.

His two top diamonds showed how East had that suit, and consequently West probably had the two black suit bunched against him, so a squeeze on West was planned. The follower of Mr. Lenz next led to the heart Q, then deliberately gave up the diamond 9 to East's 10 in order to get the necessary timing. Doing that made the play a "delayed squeeze."

After East returned the heart 2 to the A, the declarer scored the club A and the diamond Q and the club K. Then the heart K put the pinches on West. With the dummy holding the spade K-7 and diamond 7, South retained the spade 6 and club 8. If West threw the club J, he would set up the 9. So he tossed a spade from the J-10. The spade 6 to the K dropped his other spade and the 7 took the last trick.

## Tomorrow's Problem

S. 10 5 4  
H. Q. 6 2  
D. K. Q. 9 2  
C. A. 3

S. Q. 3 N. S. J. 2  
H. A. K. J. 1 V. E. H. 10 5  
7 5 S. D. A. 6 4  
D. 7 5 3 C. 9 7 6 2  
C. 10 8  
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H. 8 4  
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# MOLOTOV AGREES WITH U.S. Control Of Atomic Energy Criticisms By Britain

Lake Success, Dec. 6. The Soviet delegate, M. V. Molotov, agreed to the American amendment to the Soviet proposal urging elimination from national armaments of atomic weapons and all other major weapons adaptable to mass destruction when the sub-committee of the Political and Security Committee resumed their discussions on the regulation and reduction of armaments here today. The American amendment called for rapid international control of atomic energy and other technical discoveries so as to ensure their use only for peaceful purposes.

M. Molotov declared that the United States proposal was of an urgent nature: "If we adopt the decision to prohibit the use of atomic energy for military purposes then I believe attention will be focussed on matters in which atomic energy can be used for peaceful purposes," he said.

The Indian delegate objected to the word "major" before the word "weapons" in the Soviet draft and suggested it be eliminated.

Senator Tom Connally (United States), protested that the word "major" should not be struck out. The sub-committee working in close harmony discussed sentence by sentence the disarmament proposal presented by the United States and adopted it at M. Molotov's suggestion as the basis for its work.

### BRITISH CRITICISM

After an hour's discussion this sentence was agreed on: "The General Assembly recognises as essential to the general regulation and reduction of armaments the early establishment of international control of atomic energy and other modern technological discoveries to ensure their use only for peaceful purposes."

The Soviet amendment to the United States proposal proposing that the Security Council should expedite consideration of the draft convention for the prohibition of atomic weapons was criticised by Sir Hartley Shawcross, of Britain, who submitted alternative proposals.

The British proposal, he said, involved the following points: Firstly, "that the draft convention, or conventions, besides providing for the prohibition of weapons of mass destruction, involves an adequate system of control. It must form part of the whole scheme."

Sir Hartley added: "We insist that prohibition and control are not merely concurrent things; they are part and parcel of the same thing."

### U.S. SUPPORT

He said that the British proposals involved the prohibition of the atomic bomb and other weapons of mass destruction, together with adequate and simultaneous control and inspection. "We must not agree to any partial system of disarmament in the sense that atomic bombs are prohibited and other forms of mass destruction are not."

Senator Connally, supposing Sir Hartley, said: "When we do so we want other nations to forego other weapons of mass destruction." He urged the sub-committee not to vest authority for conventions in the Security Council. He urged that the jurisdiction and authority of the Atomic Energy Commission should not be weakened or watered down and that they should not be thrown to the mercy of the Security Council and veto.

"We insist that in the matter of control and inspection there should be no veto," the Senator said.

M. Molotov said the Soviet Union had never objected to the prohibition of other major weapons in addition to atomic weapons. He pointed out that the right of veto, although operated by the Security Council, would not operate in the case of commissions.

The committee, on the suggestion of its chairman, M. Paul Spack, accepted the Soviet amendment, incorporating the British proposals relative to the use of commissions.

### SECRET PLAN IN OPERATION

Jerusalem, Dec. 6. The Jewish Agency's "top secret plan" to combat terrorism—announced two days ago—is now being carried out in co-operation with the British authorities in Palestine, a Jewish Agency spokesman disclosed today. "Certain methods are now being tried," the spokesman added. "He did not say what these methods were, or what was meant by co-operation with the British."—Reuter.

proposal of disarmament and was considered a mark of satisfactory progress towards an unanimous approach to the whole disarmament question.

This disposed of the second paragraph of the United States

## England Enemy No. One Of Musso

Washington, Dec. 6. The late Benito Mussolini told Adolph Hitler he considered Americans poor soldiers because they lived too well and did not want to die. That revelation was contained in German documents detailing conversations between Hitler and Mussolini near Salzburg in April, 1944, and now published in a State Department bulletin.

The German recorder of that famous conversation, while not quoting Mussolini directly, reported Mussolini's conclusions thus: "It had been demonstrated that the English were good soldiers but that the Americans were not, since they had lived too well and did not want to die."

At that time Marshal Pietro Badoglio had overthrown Mussolini. Allied armies were advancing on Rome and Mussolini was trying to hold together Italian forces in Northern Italy.

### A LINE OR TWO FROM SYDNEY

(Continued from Page 4) against molestation by men... The latest dish in Sydney is minced "squid" and octopus garnished with "fried green-coloured yolks of Port Jackson shark eggs... Sydney housewives are asking for a law compelling household suppliers to restore pre-war delivery services... Four schoolboys are alleged to have tampered with the navigation light at South Head over the weekend... Former Tivoli show-girl Diana Hart, who was badly burned when a fire broke out in the theatre, settled her claim for £20,000 damages from Tivoli Theatres. She intends to go to America to try and get treatment for her scarred legs... A 13-year-old Polish boy saw his first egg when he arrived in Sydney. His parents died from starvation and ill-treatment in Siberia.

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Sir Hartley added: "We insist that prohibition and control are not merely concurrent things; they are part and parcel of the same thing."

### U.S. SUPPORT

He said that the British proposals involved the prohibition of the atomic bomb and other weapons of mass destruction, together with adequate and simultaneous control and inspection. "We must not agree to any partial system of disarmament in the sense that atomic bombs are prohibited and other forms of mass destruction are not."

Senator Connally, supposing Sir Hartley, said: "When we do so we want other nations to forego other weapons of mass destruction." He urged the sub-committee not to vest authority for conventions in the Security Council. He urged that the jurisdiction and authority of the Atomic Energy Commission should not be weakened or watered down and that they should not be thrown to the mercy of the Security Council and veto.

"We insist that in the matter of control and inspection there should be no veto," the Senator said.

M. Molotov said the Soviet Union had never objected to the prohibition of other major weapons in addition to atomic weapons. He pointed out that the right of veto, although operated by the Security Council, would not operate in the case of commissions.

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## Britain And The Colonies

Bristol, Dec. 6. Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, Secretary of State for Colonies, in a speech here tonight said he "deplored the conventions of colour discrimination and practices of segregation in our colonies. We have in the mistakes and shortcomings of some of our policies much to regret," he added.

He went on to comment that "British policy is the butt of a great deal of criticism these days. I regret the ignorance shown in international assemblies of our work. Glib phrases and lofty liberal sentiment and threadbare ideas about the imperialism that is passing, if it has not completely passed, ill suit some of our foreign critics, whose own problems remain unsolved, or whose methods are out of harmony with our own liberal and tolerant traditions."

After detailing the accomplishments of the past and plans for the future, such as "bold planning in Kenya, Uganda, Nigeria, Gold Coast and other territories," he emphasised that relationship between Britain and the colonies was essentially one of "partners."

### ITALIAN FLOODS

Rome, Dec. 6. Italian towns and villages along an 80-mile stretch of coast from Chioggia, near Venice, to Rimini, were flooded today after a violent storm which began yesterday.

Houses collapsed at many places and at Rimini where the water was seven feet deep in the streets, people had to be evacuated from their homes. Boats manned by firemen were used to take food to isolated farms.—Reuter.

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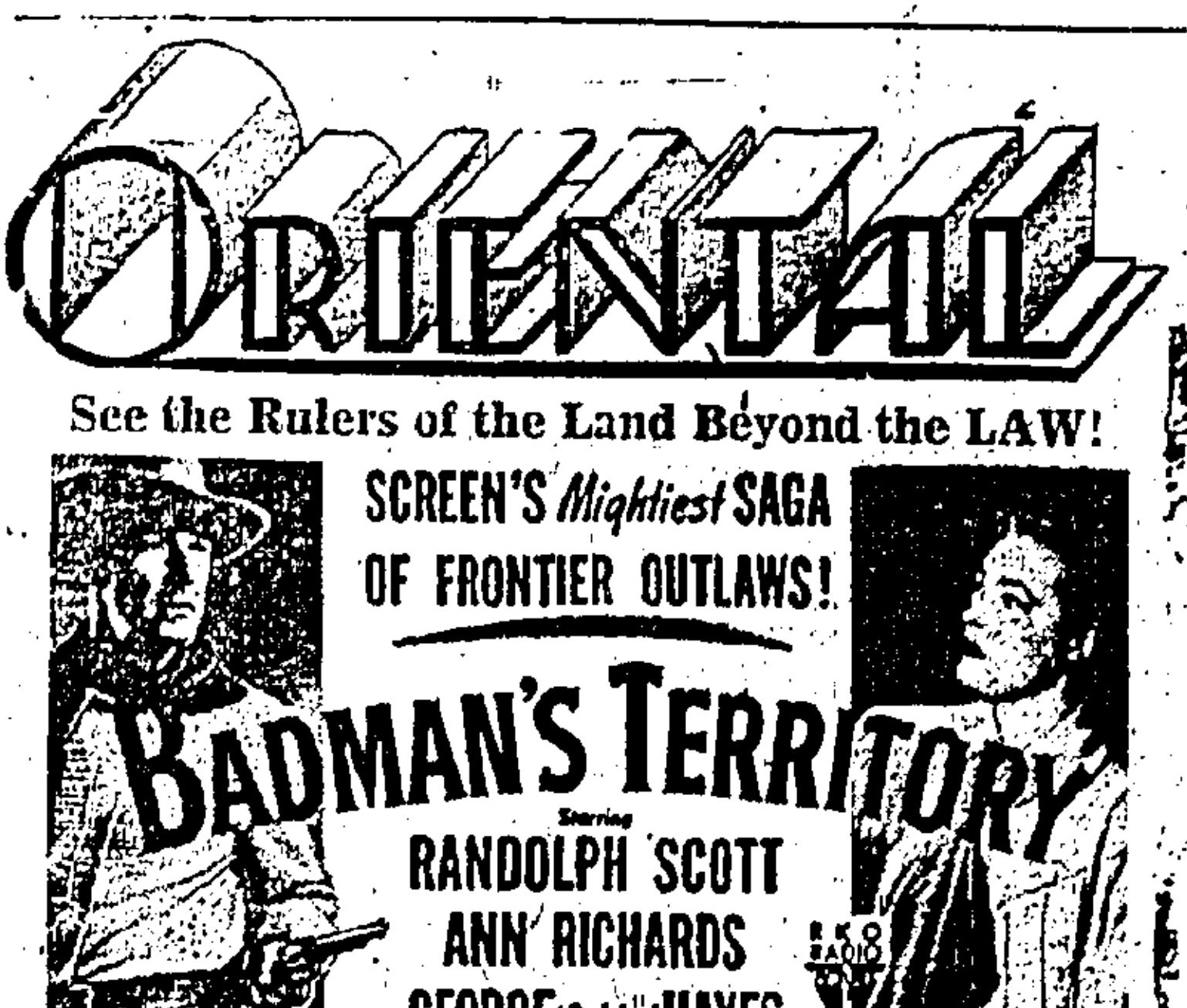
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### ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL (Garden Road)

8th December, 1946. 2nd. Sunday in Advent. 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 7.15 a.m. 8 a.m. Matins. 9 a.m. 11 a.m. 12.15 p.m. 1 p.m. Children's Service. 11 a.m. 12.15 p.m. Matins and Sermon. Preacher: The Rev. George Ska. Daily Service at 7.30 a.m. Wednesday and Friday, choral practice in the Cathedral at 6.30 p.m. Thursday, Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m.

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH (St. John's Road)

8th December, 1946. 2nd. Sunday in Advent. 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 10 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins and Sermon. Preacher: The Rev. J. H. Orville, O.R.E. M.A. 6.30 p.m. Evening and Sermon. Preacher: The Rev. J. H. Orville, O.R.E. M.A. 7.45 p.m. Social Hour at St. Andrew's Hall. Wednesday 8 p.m. Intercessory Society. St. Andrew's Hall. Thursday, choir practice at 7.30 p.m. Friday, choral class in the vicarage at 8 p.m.

### CHRIST CHURCH

Waterloo Road, Kowloon Tong. 8th December, 1946. 2nd. Sunday in Advent. 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10 a.m. Matins and Sermon. Preacher: The Rev. H. Blaing Scott of North China.

Note: A meeting of the Church Council will be held at 8 p.m. on Wednesday the 11th December at 8 p.m.

### FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST (Honolulu)

(A branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, U.S.A.) Sunday Service: 11.15 a.m. Church Building, Madounei Road. The subject of the Lecture: Madounei in all Christian Science Churches. Sunday, Dec. 8th: "God: The Only Cause And Creator." The Golden Text: Acts 4:24. Responsive Reading: Psalms 147: 1-5.

Reading Room open on Wednesday morning 11-12 a.m. Tuesday and Friday evening from 6.30 to 6.30 p.m. at the Church Building. All are welcome.

### CHRISTIAN ALLIANCE

(Rowlston Tong School, Cumberland Road) Sunday Services, December 8th, 1946: 9.30 a.m. Canthonese Sunday School. 11 a.m. Cantonese Worship Service. Preacher: The Rev. John Bechel, Advisory Pastor. Subject: The Sufferings and Glory of Christ. Text: 1 Peter 1:11 "The sufferings of Christ and the glory that should follow." Celebration of the Lord's Supper at the close of the worship service. The Rev. John Bechel, officiating, assisted by Mr. Yau Yuk-ling. 7.30 p.m. English Evangelistic Service. Preacher: The Rev. John Bechel. Subject: Making the Right Choice. Text: Hebrews 11:25. Saturday, December 13th: Choir practice, 8 p.m.

### ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

(Garden Road, Tel. 2392) At 8.30 a.m. Choral Mass. Sermon in English and Benediction. Saturday. Confessions will be heard in the afternoon. Weekdays: Holy Mass at 8 a.m.

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Dec. 8th: At 7.30 a.m. High Mass; at 8.30 p.m. Meeting of the C.Y.M.A. Thursday: At 4 p.m. Meeting of the Chinese Children of Mary. Friday: At 4 p.m. Meeting of the Altar Boys. Saturday: At 2.15 p.m. Catechism classes and Confessions for children. Weekdays: Masses at 6.30 and 7.30 a.m.

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# FOOD OUTLOOK FOR EUROPE PRECARIOUS

New York, Dec. 6. The food outlook for Europe generally for the remainder of the United States harvest year is precarious, the Department of Agriculture reported today.

The report says shipping strikes and the shortage of transport facilities in North America have delayed the movement of food crops from surplus to deficit areas. At the same time there have been in the past month declines of at least 37,500,000 bushels in prospective wheat supplies owing to unfavourable weather in Australia and Canada.

In addition the coal strike now threatens further delays.

The fate of bread rationing in Britain and other European countries depends largely on two major events in Washington this weekend. First is President Truman's coal strike speech—an all-out presidential bid to get the miners back to the pits and thus avoid the mounting chaos in the country's railway system and the dwindling of movement of grain for export. Second is the meeting of the International Emergency Food Council Cereals Committee which will decide the overall grain allocations for the world for 1946-7 harvest year and pave the way for an announcement early next week of

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## Maize Purchases By U.S. Government

## NOTICES

## Outward Mails

Up to last night, according to Chicago advices, the United States Government had bought about 4,000,000 bushels of maize for export. A large part of the purchases are on the west coast for shipment to Japan and Korea. This is somewhat remarkable since the Japanese report that they have harvested bumper crops of rice and sweet potatoes which are being delivered rapidly to the Japanese Government.

Japanese rations were recently reduced by about 20 per cent and farmers are allowed to retain almost double rations. The American maize export season is only just starting, however.

The target for total maize exports up to next June is 100,000,000 bushels, of which 6,000,000 bushels are understood to have been allocated to Japan. Other countries, including Britain, may thus expect to

get a share eventually. When the South American demand is saturated the same may apply to the present huge sales of American maize to South America which are presumably designed to forestall Argentina's bulk-wheat contract with Brazil on which deliveries are to start on Jan. 1.

Argentine shippers are today tentatively offering maize in London at 64 shillings a quarter. These are the first offers since Argentine suspended export licences on Nov. 21.

Before the suspension the price was 72 shillings.

There were reports in Buenos Aires last night that export licences were being resumed. The British Food Ministry is said to be "not interested" in these offers either because it considers the price still too high, having regard to the prospects of obtaining American maize or because it prefers to buy from the Argentine Government's selling agency since the purchases from the latter include guarantees that export licences will be granted.

## Reluctance To Sell

President Truman announced a week ago that the United States Government had already bought

all the wheat required to cover

its exports target of 207,000,000

busheis of wheat and flour for the full year ending next June. It had accordingly ceased buying since Nov. 14.

It resumed purchases last

weekend, however, to relieve the

break in prices and has since

bought moderate additional quantities.

This must imply intention to surpass the target.

There can be no doubt that in both supplies and transport a higher target is well within America's power if she wants to do it.

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## Exciting Rugger At Sookunpoo

The newly refurbed Sookunpoo ground was the venue of the two Rugby games played yesterday, the first resulting in a win for 3 Commando Brigade over Royal Navy by 16 points to 3 and the other in a narrow win for Club who beat Royal Air Force and Police by 6 points to 5.

The first half of the 3 Club had been constantly up on the ball, intercepted a kick for touch and when only 10 yards from the line had the misfortune to knock on.

Half time came with no score and with the Navy easily an equal to the Commandos pack; they were not a match for them outside.

The Commandos started the second half with strong pressure and from an offside on the Navy's 25, Buskell produced 3

The next score came from a pleasing three-quarter passing bout ending with Standley showing his ability with the short punt ahead and with the luck of the bounce he scored. Buskell added the goal points. Standley scored two more tries, the first catching the Navy full back right out of position after Acton had eluded three Navy defenders.

The Navy forwards had played a rousing game but they were now drawing although Lessey, Morris, Barton and Langley were spirited till the end. For their persistent work they were rewarded with penalty from Garsides' foot before the whistle.

The Commando pack, in which England, Absalom and Tiechurst were prominent is a force to be reckoned with and the sure passing of all their three-quarters with the strong elusive running of Standley, who is always a match winner makes them very formidable opposition still.

The Navy had some really good forwards and with a better understanding of the half backs could have been very dangerous opposition to the unbeaten Commandos.

Next week there should be a fine game on the Club's ground when a Combined Rest XV will challenge the unbeaten Commando XV. Team picking will not be an easy problem but man for man the Rest should be able to match the Commandos.

Bromwich has played in most countries, but this is the first time there has been a complaint lodged against his methods.

**Another Incident**

Another incident today was when Talbert threatened to walk off the court unless his partner was permitted to wear slippers.

In the final of the Victorian doubles, Mulley and Talbert, doubles champions for the past three years in America, were beaten today by John Bromwich and Colin Long.

After rain had interrupted play, the Australians won 6/3, 6/4, 3/6, 6/3.

Their victory is likely to ensure Bromwich and Long of being Australia's representative in the doubles for the challenge round of the Davis Cup against the United States later this month, especially as they had eliminated the other United States pair, Jack Kramer and Ted Schroeder, in the semi-final.—Reuter.

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## KCC Knock SING TAO BEAT NAVY Up 162 8 GOALS TO NIL For Nine

The surprisingly good performance of Club in holding Chinese Amateur to a two-all draw and the overwhelming victories of Sing Tao and 45 Commando over Navy and St. Joseph's respectively were the outstanding features of yesterday soccer programme.

In the second Division 42 Commando, re-inforced by four former 1/5 Commando players, had to go the whole distance to beat Dockyard by two nil. Police also did well to beat Chinese Amateurs.

### FIRST DIVISION

#### Sing Tao v Royal Navy

Displaying all-round superior ball craft, Sing Tao consolidated their position at the head of the Senior Division of the Soccer League with a convincing victory over strong Navy XI, whom they defeated by 8 goals to 3.

Commandos were soon in the lead and scored three goals in rapid succession. After Saints pressed for a while and B.M. Omar scored two good goals to reduce the arrears.

In the second half the Saints could not stand the pace and the defence were often caught

It is a great pity that the Navy are never able to field the same side every week, as there was ample evidence yesterday that they possess the material. Given more opportunities to play together, they should definitely turn out a most formidable combination.

Evans, in goal for the Navy, was outstanding and had not been for his fine exhibition, Navy would undoubtedly have gone down to a much heavier defeat. Priddy and Stewart worked hard and their hustling tactics thwarted the Chinese time after time in the first half. Coles, centre half, put up a grand performance and was well supported by Rees and Pay.

The Navy forwards gave a good account of themselves individually, but as a combination they were a complete failure. They were uncertain in their methods and one great fault with them was that they were inclined to wait for the ball. More often than not, the nippy Chinese defenders were able to cut in and clear the ball.

The positioning of the Navy forwards also left much to be desired and in the majority of cases, well placed passes went begging. The failure of the forwards to get going resulted in the defence being overworked and it was only natural that, in the face of continued onslaughts by a forward line such as that possessed by Sing Tao, the defence should crack up.

The whole Sing Tao team played first class football and their admirable ball control and neat passing was a pleasure to watch. The defence had the Navy forward line well in check and Hui Keng-sing and his aides were able to keep their own forwards well supplied with snappy passes which were seldom wasted. A feature of the game was the brilliant manner in which the Sing Tao forwards swept up the field and swung the ball around.

On their present form, it is difficult to visualise Sing Tao meeting with defeat.

Navy won the toss and elected to play with the wind. From the kick-off, Sing Tao took the ball down and Evans was called upon to defend his charge within the very first minute of the game. The ball was swung from end to end and Navy came near scoring on two occasions when well placed corners by Mills almost entered the net of their own accord.

After a period of exciting play, during which both goals were raided in turn, Lau Shiu-wing opened the scoring with a fast shot into the corner of the net which gave Evans no chance.

Play continued at a fast pace and from a breakaway on the right, Ho Yin-fun dashed in and increased Sing Tao's lead with a rasping shot. Half time came with Sing Tao leading by two clear goals.

On resumption, Sing Tao immediately took up the attack and further goals were added by Lau Chung-sang (1), Fung King-chung (1), Lau Shiu-wing (1) and Cheung Kam-hoi (3).

During this half, Navy were seldom in the picture and on the very few occasions that they were allowed to break away, the Sing Tao defence never gave them any opportunity to become really dangerous. The final whistle came with Sing Tao attacking

Score were: J.S. Dunnin 24 (skip) 15 E.F. Pope 24 (skip) 15 H.A. Lammer 22 (skip) 15 J. McElvane 22 (skip) 15 J.W. Lee 22 (skip) 17

J.W. Leonard 15 A. Coombes 15 M. Flinn 15 L. Collyer 15 H.G. Giltin 15 H.A. Bridgerton 15 V.N. Atienza 15 S. Randie 15 C. Vass 15 F.H. Wilkinson 15 L. Sykes 17

### Home Football Results

London, Dec. 7.  
The following were the results of football matches played to-day:

**First Division**  
Bolton 4 Huddersfield 0  
Charlton 2 Derby 4  
Chelsea 1 Everton 1  
Grimbsy 0 Villa 0  
Leeds 1 Sunderland 0  
Liverpool 1 Wolves 0  
Manchester U 2 Brentford 1  
Mid'side 2 Arsenal 0  
Preston 4 Blackburn 0  
Sheffield U 1 Portsmouth 0  
Match abandoned, ground unfit  
Stoke City 4 Blackpool 1

**Second Division**

Barnsley 3 Bradford 1  
Birmingham 3 Bury 0  
Burnley 3 Millwall 0  
Coventry C. 1 Fulham 0  
Newcastle U. 3 Plymouth A. 2  
Newport C. 0 M'chester C. 3  
Notts For. 2 S'field Wed. 0  
Southampton 4 Westham 1  
Swansea 4 Leicester 1  
Spurs 3 Chesterfield 0  
West Bromwich 1 Luton Town 2

**Third Division South**

Bristol R. 0 Brighton 0  
C. Palace 2 Notts C 0  
Ipswich 3 Swindon 0  
Leyton 4 Bristol C 0  
Mansfield 1 Aldershot 0  
Queen's P.R. 2 Port Vale 0  
Reading 4 Norwich 0  
Southend 2 Exeter Un 0  
Northampton 1 Torquay 0  
Walsall 2 Cardiff 0  
Watford 0 Bourn'th 0

**Fourth Division North**

Accrington 2 Tranmere 0  
Barrow 2 Darlington 3  
Bradford 1 Hull 1  
Carlisle U. 1 York 2  
Halifax 1 Chester 2  
Lincoln 3 Doncaster R. 5  
New Brighton 1 Motherham 0  
(Match postponed, ground unfit)  
Oldham Ath. 1 Gateshead 0  
Rochdale 0 Southport 0  
Stockport 1 Hartlepool 0  
Wrexham 1 Crewe A. 0

**FOOTBALL RESULTS**

**FIRST DIVISION**  
Sing Tao 2 Royal Navy 0  
St. Joseph's 2 45 Commando 0  
Club 2 C.A.S.C. 2

**SECOND DIVISION**  
42 Commando 2 Dockyard 0  
S'intons 4 K.H. Chee 0  
Police 4 C.A.S.C. 1  
Craigengower 0 Sing Tao 1  
Club 1 K'ng Wah 1

**FOOTBALL ANALYSIS**

**Club v C.A.S.C.**  
Playing one of their best games this season, Club surprised Chinese Amateur Sports Club by forcing them to a two-all draw. On the general run of the play they should have won.

Weller opened the scoring for Club and Mullen added the other goal. The goals for the Chinese were scored by Chin Che-fai and Lau Tai-yau.

Chinese Amateur missed a penalty late in the game.

**SECOND DIVISION**

**42 Commando v Dockyard**

A fast game was witnessed at Happy Valley when 42 Commandos defeated Dockyard by two clean goals in the Second Division, after leading 1-0 at interval.

Partington opened the scoring for the Commandos towards the end of the first half. White, goals for the Dockyard, saved many good shots.

About 10 minutes before the final whistle, Ford, centre-forward for the Commandos, scored a clean goal from over 40 yards from the goal post.

**Signals v Kit Chee**

In the Second Division, Signals beat Kit Chee by four goals to one. The score at interval was 2-1 in favour of the eventual winners.

Kit Chee opened through Lau Wal-man, who scored the only goal for the Chinese. Reid equalised.

Cleaves, centre-forward, scored at half time.

Bald scored again with a good shot, and Rees added the fourth goal for the Signals.

**Police v C.A.S.C.**

After leading 1-0 at the interval, Police did very well to defeat C.A.S.C. by four goals to one in the Second Division.

Gomes scored the first three goals in succession for Police, after which Wong Sum netted the only goal for the losers. Mak Fan registered the final goal of the game for Police.

**SCOTTISH LEAGUE**

**"B" Division**

Aberdeen 1 Third Lanard 0

Clyde 2 St. Mirren 0

Hamilton 1 Partick 3

Hearts 1 Falkirk 1

Morton 2 Celtic 1

Queens Park 0 Kilmarnock 0

Queens of S. 1 Hibernians 1

Rangers 2 Motherwell 0

**"A" Division**

Albion 5 Dunfermline 0

Alloa 4 Raith 1

Ayr United 4 Sten'muir 0

Cowdenbeath 2 Airdrie 1

Dundee U. 1 Dumbarion 0

East Fife 1 Dundee 1

St. Johnstone 1 Dundee 0

**Irish Regional League**

Cliftonville 3 Coleraine 0

Derby City 2 Belfast 0

Distillery 0 Ballymena 2

Linfeld 4 Glentoran 2

Oxford University 2 Cambridge U. 3 Reuter 0

**REFEREES' DINNER**

A very enjoyable evening was

spent at the Gloucester Hotel at the first post-war annual dinner of the Hong Kong Football Referees' Association which was attended by about 100 referees, men and friends.

Mr. K.K. Ip, chairman, proposed the toast of the Hong Kong Football Association to which the Hon. Mr. M.K. Lo replied. Captain England proposed "The Guests".

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